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TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: City Manager Bill Bridgeo
RE: Administrative Report
DATE: December 10, 2012

Meetings:

On Thursday, December 13, 2012 the City Council will hold an Informational Meeting at 6:30 p.m. in Council Chambers. The agenda is enclosed.

Also on Thursday, December 13, the OREO Committee will meet at 4:30 p.m. in Conference Room A. (Please note my memorandum related to the Quimby lot including in this packet. That property is currently under consideration for a sale recommendation by the committee.)

Other Items:

Council received an e-mail over the weekend from Bond Brook Road resident Christine Berube asking for City relief to address an on-going problem of graffiti, vandalism and vagrancy on the State-owned property under the I-95 overpass. Since her property abuts this problem location, her concern is certainly understandable. To date, when graffiti has appeared, Sukey Sukora has dealt with it but beyond that, the State has shown no inclination to restrict access to the property (although apparently they are willing to allow the City to do so) or to police it. To date, I have not authorized any such action as Ms. Berube requests for several reasons. The first is that it should be the State's responsibility to address this problem. The second is the potential precedent it would set if the City were to step in and absorb the cost of doing so, and third, my understanding is that this location provides public access to the brook. If any of you wish to take this matter up at an informational meeting, please let me know.

WRB/pec

Enclosure

cc: Department and Bureau Directors
Legislative Delegation (and Delegation-elect)